

# SERMON NOTES

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## **Love Thy Neighbor IDENTIFYING THE BIG SINNER**

Luke 18:9-14

### **I. THE PREREQUISITE FOR HUMILITY**

*(Romans 1:16a,17a) For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.... For in it the righteousness of God is revealed. (Galatians 2:16a,24) Nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus...since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified. If righteousness comes through the Law, then Christ died needlessly.*

### **II. THE PRACTICE OF HUMILITY**

- **Gospel security allows honest self-evaluation.**

*(1 Timothy 1:15,16) It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all. Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life. (Galatians 6:3) For if anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself.*

- **Gospel security allows humble self-forgetfulness.**  
*(Philippians 2:3,4) Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.*